

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 879**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Fletcher**

February 17, 2011

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An act to amend Section 22890 of the Government Code, relating to the Public Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 879, as introduced, Fletcher. Public Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act.

Existing law requires the Board of Administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System to administer the Public Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act. Existing law permits a contracting agency to elect to be subject to the act for its employees and annuitants, provided that the contracting agency and each employee or annuitant contribute a portion of the cost of providing the benefit coverage afforded under the health benefit plan approved or maintained by the board in which the employee or annuitant may be enrolled.

This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to these provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 22890 of the Government Code is
- 2 amended to read:
- 3 22890. (a) The contracting agency and each employee or
- 4 annuitant shall contribute a portion of the cost of providing the

1 benefit coverage afforded under the health benefit plan approved  
2 or maintained by the board in which the employee or annuitant  
3 may be enrolled.

4 (b) An annuitant is entitled to only one employer contribution.  
5 If more than one annuitant is receiving an allowance as the survivor  
6 of the same employee or annuitant, there shall be only one  
7 employer contribution with respect to all-~~such~~ *of the* annuitants.

8 (c) The contribution of each employee and annuitant shall be  
9 the total cost per month of the benefit coverage afforded him or  
10 her under the health benefit plan or plans in which he or she is  
11 enrolled less the portion thereof to be contributed by the employer.  
12 The employer contribution for each employee and annuitant shall  
13 commence on the effective date of enrollment.